

## McKANE TO THE BAR.

Three Jurors Secured to Try the Czar of Gravesend.

The Boss Demands a Separate Trial and Gets It.

A Great Crowd Literally Packs the Court-Room.

Brooklyn Court-house was besieged with politicians of every stripe and variety this morning.

The corridors of the building were thronged long before 9 o'clock. Among the crowds that sought to obtain admission to the courtroom of Mayor and Terminus were many prominent Democrats, Republicans and Mugwumps, with a very liberal sprinkling of Gravesend statesmen and representatives of the Citizens' movement in Brooklyn.

The long-delayed trial of John J. McKane, the Coney Island boss, and his twenty-one co-defendants in the election fraud cases at Gravesend, last election day, had been set down for today, and this was the cause of the big gathering of the clans.

An extraordinary term of the Court of Mayor and Terminus has been convened for the purpose of trying these cases. An extra force of 150 jurors has been summoned, and it is believed that it will take several days to secure a jury to begin with.

William Bartlett presides at these trials, which have aroused greater interest throughout Kings County than any legal contest ever before occurred there.

The prosecution of the offenders is in the hands of Edward M. Howard, assistant district attorney, and Benjamin F. Tracy, the special deputy attorney-general and assistant district attorney.

Howard, who is a member of the bar, and Tracy, who is a member of the bar, and his friends will be looked after by Judge James Troy.

Twenty-two persons are under indictment for a conspiracy to defraud the Gravesend elections, and McKane himself has been indicted for the same offense. Six of the defendants are indicted in aiding and abetting the inspectors in violating the law, and in which the only indicted with the inspectors, it is expected to make the prosecution to secure the punishment of McKane his henchmen and the other acts which they committed and which he authorized and sanctioned on and before election day.

Very effort has been made by the need for the indicted men to have the jury returned as early as possible, but it is not expected to be returned until 10 o'clock this morning, when Judge Bartlett took his seat upon the bench, and the court commenced with the preliminary calling of the jury.

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Ex-Judge Troy finally peremptorily challenged the jury, thus exhausting one of the defendant's chances.

The next juror named was James D. O'Brien, of 110 Twelfth street, Brooklyn, who served as an inspector of election in the last election. He was just one time a bookkeeper. At present he said he was out of employment.

Lawyer Waring went on to say that O'Brien did not have \$250 worth of property, and he was excused.

Adam Bucher was next excused, as it appeared that he was not the person named in the subpoena.

The next juror to be taken the witness stand was David H. Sackett, a publisher, of 46 Eleventh street. He said he had a general impression about the Gravesend election frauds, derived from what he had read in the newspapers, but he thought he could serve on the jury and render an impartial verdict so far as John J. McKane was concerned, strictly upon the facts.

Mr. Sackett said he was not interested particularly in politics; he belonged to the Democratic party, but was not acquainted with any of the defendants or any one connected either with the prosecution or defense in the present case.

Mr. Sackett was accepted as the first juror.

Dennis Desmond, a stevedore, of 400 Columbus street, was challenged peremptorily by the prosecution. One of his friends in the press box, Island Democrat, was present at the afternoon session.

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## TEST VOTES CAST. ENNIS IS SUSPENDED.

One Hundred Ballots Cast in Twenty-three Minutes.

Senate and Assembly Committees Witnesses of a Farce.

Drilled Men at Gravesend Work Like Machinery.

COKEY ISLAND, Jan. 22.—The test of the ability of the voters of Gravesend to poll 1502 votes between sunrise and sunset was held in the Town Hall at Gravesend to-day.

The Senate and Assembly Committees before whom the test was made, left Brooklyn City Hall shortly after 10 o'clock. They drove down to Gravesend in two carriages, arriving at the Town Hall at 11:15.

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## HAS REYNOLDS A MOTIVE?

He's Against Real Estate Exchange's Honest Government Club.

The Committee on Legislation of the Real Estate Exchange this afternoon elected Henry J. Carr and Mr. Powell as first and second Vice-Presidents, respectively, and Irving Rubland as Secretary of the Committee.

It was expected that Thomas L. Reynolds, who at the last meeting expressed his intention of opposing the organization of the Real Estate Honest Government Club, would make an address.

Mr. Reynolds, however, sent word that he would be unable to attend, as he was suffering from pneumonia.

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## BIG RAID ON SUGAR STOCK.

Bears Had the Best of It at the Opening.

But Bulls Got at the Grangers and a Rally Ensued.

The bears had the market to themselves at the start this morning owing to the fact that London made no response to the rise here on Saturday.

Foreign selling orders were received, and while they were not particularly heavy in the aggregate, they were sufficient to bring about a decline of 1-4 to 2-4 per cent.

Sugar was heavily pressed for sale, the presumption being that Congress will legislate adversely to the trust, which is making a big fight to secure some protective duty.

According to private cables, the London market was disturbed by the serious drop of silver following the action of the Indian Government with reference to silver matters, details of which were given in "The Evening World" on Saturday.

American Sugar fell 1-8 to 80 1/4; 40, preferred 2, to 81 1/2; Canada Southern 3-4, to 50 1/4; Burlington & Quincy 1-2, to 55 1/4; St. Paul 5-8, to 50; Louisville 1, to 43 1/4; New York Central 1-2, to 100 3/4; Union Pacific 1-2, to 133 1/4; and North-west 1-2, to 102 1/4.

Subsequently Chicago fell 1-4, to 65 1/4; Burlington 7-8, to 61 1/2; North-west 1, to 103 1/4; St. Paul 1-2, to 51 1/4; Rock Island 3-4, to 68 1/4; General Electric 1-2, to 35 1/4; Lake Shore 5-8, to 127 1/4; New England 3-4, to 133 1/4; and Western Union 1-2, to 83 1/4.

The continued weakness of Sugar did not deter the bulls from giving effective support to the railway bill, on the conviction that it was a safe investment, with a vim, and these stocks responded quickly to buying orders.

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## THURBER-WHYLAND CO. REPORT.

Filed in the Court of Chancery in New Jersey.

A preliminary report on the affairs of the Thurber-Whyland Company has been filed in the Court of Chancery, New Jersey, by Receiver Andrew Kirkpatrick and Thomas Reid.

The value of goods on hand when the receivers took possession on Nov. 14, 1893, was appraised at \$61,278; the accounts receivable aggregated \$1,466,276; and there were 15,000 shares of stock, the value of which was estimated at \$2,892, and \$,000 in bonds and mortgages, of which are sold and collected.

Forty-five thousand four hundred and thirty-seven dollars in cash had been assigned to various banks as collateral security for indebtedness. The company was looking for a large amount of which was taken for had debts, but the cost is largely in excess of its real value.

The indebtedness of the corporation amounted to \$86,900, part of which is secured by mortgages on real estate, and the balance of the above will not exceed \$2,000.